# SENATE JOURNAL 57<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATURE FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY

Helena, Montana Senate Chambers
January 3, 2001 State Capitol

At twelve o'clock noon the Senate of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the State of Montana was called to order with Senator Halligan, Dean of the Senate presiding.

Senator Halligan appointed Reverend Keith Johnson as temporary Chaplain and Chuckie Cramer as temporary Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

The colors were posted by Captain Orlan Strom and members of the Montana National Guard, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Sergeant-at-Arms Cramer escorted Governor Judy Martz into the Senate Chambers.

The invocation was given by Reverend Keith Johnson.

Senator Halligan appointed Rosana Skelton as temporary Secretary of the Senate.

At the direction of Senator Halligan, the temporary Secretary called the roll of the newly elected Senators by district. The following Senators responded thereto:

District No. 2, Tom Zook; District No. 3, Gerald Pease; District No. 5, Royal C. Johnson; District No. 6, Mike Sprague; District No. 8, William E. Glaser; District No. 10, Corey Stapleton; District No. 15, Emily Stonington; District No. 17, Bill Tash; District No. 18, Debbie Bowman Shea; District No. 19, Dan W. Harrington; District No. 22, Don Ryan; District No. 25, John Cobb; District No. 27, Ken Toole, District No. 29, Bea McCarthy; District No. 31, Fred Thomas; District No. 32, Vicki Cocchiarella; District No. 35, Dale Mahlum; District No. 36, Jim Elliott, District No. 37, Mike Taylor; District No. 40, Bob DePratu; District No. 42, Jerry O'Neil; District No. 47, Edward B. Butcher; District No. 48, Sam Kitzenberg; District No. 49, Linda J. Nelson; District No. 50, Walter L. McNutt.

The Honorable Karla M. Gray, Chief Justice of the Montana Supreme Court was admitted to the Senate Chamber and administered the following official oath of office to the Senators-elect, who subscribed to the same:

"I do solemnly swear that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Montana, and that I will discharge the duties of my office as a Montana State Senator with fidelity, so help me God."

At the direction of Senator Halligan, the temporary Secretary called the complete roll of the Senate. The following Senators responded thereto:

Beck, Berry, Bishop, Bohlinger, Butcher, Christiaens, Cobb, Cocchiarella, Cole, Crismore, DePratu, Doherty, Ekegren, Ellingson, Elliott, Ellis, Franklin, Glaser, Grimes, Grosfield, Halligan, Harrington, Holden, Jergeson, Johnson, Keenan, Kitzenberg, Mahlum, McCarthy, McNutt, Miller, Mohl, Nelson, O'Neil, Pease, Roush, Ryan, Shea, Sprague, Stapleton, Stonington, Tash, Taylor, Tester, Thomas, Toole, Waterman, Wells, Zook. Senator Hargrove excused.

Forty-nine members being present, Senator Halligan announced that the Senate of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature was duly organized and ready for business.

#### **MOTIONS**

Senator Thomas moved that the rules of the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislature be adopted as the temporary operating rules of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature. Motion carried unanimously.

Senator Thomas moved that Senator Tom Beck of District No. 28 be nominated for the office of President of the Senate of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature and moved that his election carry with it the name of Senator Walt McNutt of District 50 for the office of President Pro Tempore.

Senator Nelson moved that Senator Steve Doherty of District 24 be nominated for the office of President of the Senate of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature and further moved that his election carry with it the name of Senator Linda Nelson of District 49 for the office of President Pro Tempore.

Senator Beck was elected President of the Senate by a voice roll call vote; 30 votes for Senator Beck and 19 votes for Senator Doherty.

Senator Halligan announced the election of Senator Beck as President and Senator McNutt as President Pro Tempore.

Senator Beck assumed the Chair.

Senator Halligan introduced former President of the Senate, Bruce Crippen. Senator Crippen presented a presidential gavel to President Beck and wished him success.

President Beck made the following remarks:

"First, I want to thank you for the honor you have given me to serve as your President. This is one of the greatest honors I have ever had in my life. As your President, I want to work with you and for you during this session. I pray to God that I can live up to the high standards of the Senate and that I can fulfill your expectations as President.

I want to welcome all of the new members to the Senate. As you all know, this is the first session of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and also the third millennium. It is the first time we will have a lady Governor and a lady Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. It is also the first time we will experience the effects of term limits. This is truly history in the making. The House has over half of its members serving in the legislature for the first time. This could present a challenge for the House leadership. The Senate on the other hand has mostly experienced legislators sitting in its body. I can't emphasize enough how important it will be for us to maintain the decorum and integrity of the legislature. The citizens of Montana gave us a mandate for term limits. We can and will make it work.

We are now ready to begin the 57<sup>th</sup> session of the Montana Legislature. We are being faced this session with challenges that are no different from what past legislators have faced. So to begin with, we have established a special standing committee on energy and telecommunications. Energy costs are on the minds of our constituents. Let us not dwell on what we should or should not have done in the past but concentrate on what we can do for the future. Let us begin to look at all possible ways to find solutions. Let us not close the door to any options. If we want to improve the jobs and economy of this state, then we must have affordable energy costs.

We are going to be operating under a tight budget. This is not something that is necessarily new. I feel we have certain obligations that we must try and maintain. We must continue our commitment of stability and predictability to our tax system and fulfill our promises for personal property tax reductions. We should hold

to our commitment to local governments to replace monies for tax revenues lost. We must also do what we can for education, mental health provider rates, and many of the other state programs that we feel are essential to the citizens of this state. We must maintain the integrity of the highway trust account for federal matching funds for highway construction. We also must find a solution for mine reclamation that doesn't fall on the backs of the taxpayer. We want to look at modernizing our environmental policies but not to compromise them. We must expedite the permitting process of our facility siting act so entrepreneurs find Montana a friendly place to do business.

As you can see, we have a full plate. Between the House and Senate, we have over 1500 bills to be heard within the next 90 days. We will have to spend many long days within these halls in order to accomplish this task. Certainly not all of the bills will make it through the process, and many of us will be disappointed when our bills get killed, and that includes myself. But let's continue on to the next issue because there will be better days to come.

I look forward to working with each and every one of you during the session. My door will be open to all of you on both sides of the aisle. As I said, I come here to work with you and for you for the next 90 days. Senators, let's have a positive session with positive results."

President Beck introduced President Pro Tempore Senator Walt McNutt; Senator Steve Doherty, Minority Leader, and Senator Fred Thomas, Majority Leader. Each senator acknowledged their introduction with introductions of family members and a short speech.

President Beck introduced Governor Judy Martz, who gave a short speech to the Senate. Sergeant-at-Arms Cramer escorted the Governor from the chambers.

President Beck introduced the Center Stage Quartet who then entertained the Senate with several vocal numbers.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### **COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES** (Grosfield, Chairman):

1/3/2001

We, your Committee on Committees, recommend the following committee appointments, meeting days, times, and room numbers for the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly:

# Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation

Room 422 - 3 p.m. - M-W-F

Ric Holden, Chair
Pete Ekegren, Vice Chair
Mike Halligan
Greg Jergeson
Walt McNutt
Arnie Mohl
Linda Nelson
Gerald Pease
Corey Stapleton
Jon Tester
Tom Zook

#### **Bills and Journals**

(On Call)

Ken Miller, Chair Pete Ekegren, Vice Chair Jerry O'Neil Don Ryan Mike Sprague Ken Toole

#### **Business and Labor**

Room 422 - 8 a.m. -M-F

Mike Taylor, Chair Mike Sprague, Vice Chair Dale Berry Ed Butcher Vicki Cocchiarella Sam Kitzenberg Dale Mahlum Glenn Roush Don Ryan

#### **Committee on Committees**

(On Call)

Lorents Grosfield, Chair Mack Cole Bob DePratu Bob Keenan Mike Taylor Tom Zook

# **Education and Cultural Resources**

Room 405 - 3 p.m. - M-W-F

Bill Glaser, Chair
Jack Wells, Vice Chair
Dale Berry
John Bohlinger
Ed Butcher
John Cobb
Jon Ellingson
Jim Elliott
Alvin Ellis
Sam Kitzenberg
Don Ryan
Debbie Shea
Mike Sprague
Mignon Waterman

# **Energy and Telecommunications**

Room 317C - 3 p.m. - T-Th-S

Mack Cole, Chair Royal Johnson, Vice Chair Steve Doherty Alvin Ellis Mike Halligan Bea McCarthy Walt McNutt Don Ryan Corey Stapleton Mike Taylor Tom Zook

#### **Ethics**

(On Call)

Don Hargrove, Chair Al Bishop, Vice Chair Mike Halligan Linda Nelson

#### **Finance**

Room 317ABC - 8 a.m. - M-F

Bob Keenan, Chair Ken Miller, Vice Chair Tom Beck Chris Christiaens John Cobb Bill Crismore Greg Jergeson Royal Johnson Bea McCarthy Arnie Mohl Linda Nelson Debbie Shea Corey Stapleton Bill Tash Jon Tester Mignon Waterman Jack Wells Tom Zook

## Appropriations/Finance and Claims Subcommittees - (Senate Members Only)

# **Education**

Room 102 - 8 a.m. - M-F

Ken Miller, Vice Chair Greg Jergeson Royal Johnson

# **General Government and Transportation**

Room 317 B - 8 a.m. - M-F

Jack Wells, Vice Chair Bea McCarthy Corey Stapleton

#### **Health and Human Services**

Room 152 - 8 a.m. - M-F

John Cobb, Vice Chair Bob Keenan Mignon Waterman

#### Institutions

Room 317A - 8 a.m. - M-F

Arnie Mohl, Vice Chair Chris Christiaens Debbie Shea Tom Zook

# **Long Range Planning**

Room 350 - 8 a.m. - M-F

Bob Keenan, Vice Chair Tom Beck Jon Tester

#### **Natural Resources and Conservation**

Room 317C - 8 a.m. - M-F

Bill Crismore, Vice Chair Linda Nelson Bill Tash

#### **Fish and Game**

Room 422 - 3 p.m. - T-Th-S

Mike Sprague, Chair Jack Wells, Vice Chair Al Bishop Ed Butcher Bill Crismore Pete Ekegren Jon Ellingson

Eve Franklin Debbie Shea Bill Tash Jon Tester

# **Highways and Transportation**

Room 317A - 3 p.m. - T-Th-S

Arnie Mohl, Chair Ric Holden, Vice Chair Dale Berry Vicki Cocchiarella Bob DePratu Dan Harrington Sam Kitzenberg Jerry O'Neil Gerald Pease Glenn Roush

# **Judiciary**

Room 303 - 9 a.m. - M-F

Lorents Grosfield, Chair Duane Grimes, Vice Chair Al Bishop Steve Doherty Mike Halligan Ric Holden Walt McNutt Jerry O'Neil Gerald Pease

# **Legislative Administration**

(On Call)

Duane Grimes, Chair John Cobb, Vice Chair Tom Beck Vicki Cocchiarella Dan Harrington Dale Mahlum Mignon Waterman

## **Local Government**

Room 335 - 3 p.m. - T-Th-Sat

Dale Mahlum, Chair John Bohlinger, Vice Chair Chris Christiaens John Cobb

Jim Elliott
Bill Glaser
Duane Grimes
Don Hargrove
Ken Miller
Emily Stonington
Ken Toole

## **Natural Resources**

Room 317C - 3 p.m. - M-W-F

Bill Crismore, Chair
Dale Mahlum, Vice Chair
Mack Cole
Vicki Cocchiarella
Lorents Grosfield
Bea McCarthy
Ken Miller
Glenn Roush
Bill Tash
Mike Taylor
Ken Toole

# Public Health, Welfare and Safety

Room 317A - 3 p.m. - M-W-F

Al Bishop, Chair
Duane Grimes, Vice Chair
Chris Christiaens
Bob DePratu
Eve Franklin
Don Hargrove
Dan Harrington
Royal Johnson
Jerry O'Neil
Emily Stonington
Fred Thomas

#### Rules

(On Call)

Fred Thomas, Chair Tom Beck, Vice Chair Dale Berry Vicki Cocchiarella Steve Doherty Lorents Grosfield Mike Halligan Don Hargrove Bob Keenan Walt McNutt

Linda Nelson Mike Taylor Jon Tester

## **State Administration**

Room 335 - 10 a.m. - M-F

Don Hargrove, Chair John Bohlinger, Vice Chair Ed Butcher Pete Ekegren Jim Elliott Eve Franklin Fred Thomas Ken Toole

#### **Taxation**

Room 405 - 8 a.m. - M-F

Bob DePratu, Chair Alvin Ellis, Vice Chair John Bohlinger Mack Cole Pete Ekegren Jon Ellingson Bill Glaser Dan Harrington Emily Stonington

#### **LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION** (Grimes, Chairman):

1/3/2001

Recommend the following attaches of the Senate be employed as of 8:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 3, 2001:

Assistant Secretary of the Senate Secretary to the Secretary Admin. Ast. - Office/Aide

Admin. Asst. - Highways Chairman

Journal Clerk Status Input Bills Clerk

Bills Coor./Reading Clerk

Bills Distribution

Amendments Coordinator
Asst. Amendments
Senate Chaplain
Sergeant-at-Arms
Assistant Sergeant
Supply Clerk
Page Supervisor
Security Guards

Susan Andersen Judy Feland Kari Langley

Melissa Rasmussen Janean Meacham Shirley Warehime Fritzie Cole-Brown Eileen Flynn Don Coburn

Skip Crippen
Jane Redeau-Ogle
Rosie Fossum
Keith Johnson
Chuckie Cramer
Jim Heffernan
Uriah Yeager
Bev Donaldson
Tom Harris

Chips Staley Chet Dever Lynn Staley Secretary to the President Secretary to Majority Leader Freddie Haab Secretary to Majority Whip MaryGay Wells Secretary to Minority Leader Jeanette Blize Secretary to Minority Whip Barbara Bonifas Aide to the President E. J. Redding Aide to Majority Leader Kerrie Berg Aide to Minority Leader Adam Schaefer Aide to Minority Whip Matt McKenna Aide to Majority Whip Akvilina Rieger

Committee Secretaries:

Agriculture Laramie Cumley **Business and Labor Kyanne Kelly** Education and Cultural Resources Linda Ashworth Misti Pilster **Energy and Telecommunications** Finance Prudence Gildroy Fish and Game Roberta Opel Marion Mood Highways

Judiciary Anne Felstet Cecile Tropila Local Government MaryGay Wells Nancy Bleck **Natural Resources** Public Health, Welfare & Safety Jeanne Forrester

State Administration Lynnette Brown Deb Thompson

**Taxation** 

Committee Aides

Word Processing Center

Scanner Suzie Hamilton

Word Processors Debra Brown - Lead Processor

> Barbara Faas Marcia Luther Betty Paulsen Lea Perroni Patti Yedlicka

Racheal Emerson Senate Pages

Heidi Wahl **Bridget Sievers** Morgan Miller

# **SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY**

January 3, 2001

Montana State Senate 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature State Capitol Building Helena, MT 59620

#### Dear Senators:

I am transmitting to you my appointment for the offices of Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant-at-Arms to the Senate, and Chaplain to the Senate, for your consideration and approval.

Secretary of the Senate - Rosana Skelton Sergeant-at-Arms to the Senate - Chuckie Cramer Chaplain to the Senate - Reverend Keith Johnson

Sincerely,

SENATOR TOM BECK President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore McNutt moved that President Beck's appointments of Rosana Skelton as Secretary of the Senate, Chuckie Cramer as Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and Reverend Keith Johnson as Chaplain of the Senate for the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature be confirmed. Motion carried unanimously.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify the Governor that the Senate was organized and ready for the transaction of business and to invite the Governor to address a joint session of the Senate and the House of Representatives on Thursday, January 25, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Senator Mahlum, Chairman, Senator Zook and Senator Cocchiarella to notify the Governor.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify the Chief Justice and associate members of the Supreme Court that the Senate was organized and ready for the transaction of business and to invite the Chief Justice and the associate members of the Supreme Court to attend a joint session of the Senate and the House of Representatives on Thursday, January 25, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. to receive the State of the State address. Motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Senator Grosfield, Chairman, Senator Stapleton and Senator Franklin to notify the Supreme Court.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the President appoint a select committee to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was organized and ready for business and that the Senate wished them success in their deliberations. Motion carried unanimously.

The President appointed Senator Miller, Chairman, Senator Ekegren and Senator Halligan to notify the House of Representatives.

The President excused the committee members to perform their assigned duties.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the Senate stand at ease, subject to the call of the chair, to await the reports from the select committees. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **MESSAGES FROM THE OTHER HOUSE**

A committee from the House consisting of Representatives Hedges, Hurdle and Masolo advised the Senate that the House was organized and ready for business.

#### REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

The committee appointed to notify the Chief Justice and the associate members of the Supreme Court that the Senate was organized and ready for business reported that the Supreme Court was notified. The message was acknowledged and the committee dismissed.

The committee appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate was organized and ready for business reported that the Governor extended her best wishes and pledged her cooperation. The message was acknowledged and the committee dismissed.

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate was organized and ready for business reported that the House extended its best wishes and pledged its cooperation. The message was acknowledged and the committee dismissed.

## **MOTIONS**

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the accredited members of the press, radio, and television be granted the privilege of the Senate floor, subject to the rules. Motion carried unanimously.

#### FIRST READING AND COMMITMENT OF BILLS

The following Senate bills were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

- **SB 1**, introduced by Grimes, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 2**, introduced by Stonington (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Taxation.
- **SB 3**, introduced by Kitzenberg, referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 4**, introduced by Grimes, (by request of the Law, Justice, and Indian Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 5**, introduced by Grimes, (by request of the Law, Justice, and Indian Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 8**, introduced by Waterman, referred to State Administration.
- SB 9, introduced by Christiaens, referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- SB 10, introduced by Stonington, (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to State Administration.
- SB 11, introduced by Shea, (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to Legislative Administration.
- SB 12, introduced by Nelson, referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 13**, introduced by Bishop, referred to State Administration.
- SB 14. introduced by Bishop, referred to Local Government.
- **SB 16**, introduced by Halligan, referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 17**, introduced by O'Neil, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 18, introduced by O'Neil, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 19, introduced by Halligan, referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- **SB 20**, introduced by Halligan, (by request of the Law, Justice, and Indian Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 21**, introduced by Cole, referred to Local Government.
- **SB 22**, introduced by Bishop, referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- **SB 23**, introduced by Halligan, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 24, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 25, introduced by R. Holden, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 26, introduced by R. Holden, referred to Judiciary.

- **SB 27**, introduced by R. Holden, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 28**, introduced by Halligan, (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 29**, introduced by McNutt, (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 30, introduced by Mahlum, (by request of the Department of Commerce), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 31**, introduced by Berry, (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 32**, introduced by Shea, (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 33**, introduced by McCarthy, Crismore, Gillan, Tester, C. Younkin, (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 34**, introduced by R. Johnson, (by request of the Department of Commerce), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- SB 35, introduced by Bishop, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 36, introduced by Bishop, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 37**, introduced by Mahlum, (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- **SB 38**, introduced by Grimes, (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health. Welfare and Safety.
- SB 39, introduced by Elliott, (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 40, introduced by Christiaens, (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 41, introduced by Roush, referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 42**, introduced by McCarthy (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 43**, introduced by Kitzenberg, referred to Taxation.
- **SB 44**, introduced by Bishop (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 45, introduced by Ellis (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 46, introduced by Bishop (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 47, introduced by Bishop (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 48, introduced by Sprague (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 49, introduced by Doherty, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 50**, introduced by Waterman (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 51**, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the State Administration, Public Retirement Systems, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- **SB 52**, introduced by Roush (by request of the State Administration, Public Retirement Systems, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 53**, introduced by Roush (by request of the State Administration, Public Retirement Systems, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 54**, introduced by Roush (by request of the State Administration, Public Retirement Systems, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Fish and Game.
- **SB 55**, introduced by Cole (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 56**, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Transition Advisory Committee on Electric Utility Industry Restructuring), referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- **SB 57**, introduced by R. Johnson (by request of the Transition Advisory Committee on Electric Utility Industry Restructuring), referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- SB 58, introduced by Halligan (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Highways and

#### Transportation.

- SB 59, introduced by Nelson, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 60, introduced by McCarthy, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 61**, introduced by R. Johnson (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to State Administration.
- SB 62, introduced by McCarthy, referred to Highways and Transportation.
- SB 63, introduced by Tester, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 64, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 65**, introduced by Ellis (by request of the Education Interim Committee), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 66, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Local Government.
- SB 67, introduced by Ellis (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 68, introduced by Ellis (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Taxation.
- SB 69, introduced by Bishop (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Judiciary.
- SB 70, introduced by Glaser, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 71**, introduced by Glaser (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 72**, introduced by Glaser (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 73**, introduced by Glaser (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.
- SB 74, introduced by McNutt, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 75**, introduced by Jergeson (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to State Administration.
- SB 76, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the Department of Corrections), referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 77**, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 78**, introduced by Hargrove, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 79, introduced by Harrington, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 80, introduced by Mahlum, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 81**, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 82**, introduced by Keenan (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 83**, introduced by McCarthy (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 84**, introduced by McCarthy (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 85, introduced by Tester, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 86, introduced by R. Holden, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 87, introduced by Waterman, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 88, introduced by Waterman, referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- SB 89, introduced by Waterman, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 90**, introduced by Ekegren (by request of the State Administration, Public Retirement Systems, and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee), referred to State Administration.
- **SB 91**, introduced by Tash (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 92**, introduced by Halligan (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.

- **SB 93**, introduced by Halligan, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 94**, introduced by Shea (by request of the Office of Public Instruction), referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 95, introduced by Bishop, referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB** 96, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 97**, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 98**, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 99**, introduced by Kitzenberg, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 100**, introduced by Kitzenberg, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 101, introduced by Kitzenberg, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 102**, introduced by Cole (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 103**, introduced by Zook (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Finance.
- **SB 104**, introduced by Sprague (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish and Game.
- **SB 105**, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish and Game.
- **SB 106**, introduced by Sprague, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 107**, introduced by Franklin (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 108**, introduced by Franklin (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- SB 109, introduced by O'Neil, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 110, introduced by Ellis, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 111, introduced by Ellis, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 112**, introduced by Nelson (by request of the Legislative Audit Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 113**, introduced by Nelson (by request of the Department of Justice), referred to Finance.
- **SB 114**, introduced by Taylor, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 115**, introduced by R. Holden, referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 116**, introduced by Stonington (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 117**, introduced by Tester, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 118**. introduced by Harrington, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 120, introduced by Tester (by request of the Legislative Audit Committee), referred to Finance.
- **SB 121**, introduced by Shea (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 122**, introduced by Shea (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 123**, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 124**, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Legislative Administration.
- SB 125, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Highways and Transportation.
- SB 126, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Natural Resources.
- SB 127, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Taxation.
- SB 128, introduced by Bohlinger, referred to Judiciary.

- **SB 129**, introduced by Berry (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Finance.
- SB 130, introduced by F. Thomas, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- **SB 131**, introduced by Taylor (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Energy and Telecommunications.
- SB 132, introduced by Halligan, referred to Judiciary.
- SB 133, introduced by Jergeson (by request of the Department of Administration), referred to Finance.
- **SB 135**, introduced by Waterman (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- SB 136, introduced by R. Johnson, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 137**, introduced by Nelson (by request of the Local Government Funding and Structure Committee), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 138**, introduced by Nelson (by request of the Local Government Funding and Structure Committee), referred to Local Government.
- SB 139, introduced by Wells, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 140, introduced by Wells, referred to Education and Cultural Resources.
- SB 141, introduced by Stonington, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 142, introduced by Sprague (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 143**, introduced by Ekegren, Cole, Hedges, Keane, Witt (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- SB 144, introduced by Nelson (by request of the Department of Revenue), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 145**, introduced by Berry (by request of the State Compensation Insurance Fund), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 146**, introduced by Keenan (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 147**, introduced by Keenan (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 148**, introduced by Tester, referred to State Administration.
- **SB 149**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the State Library Commission), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 150**, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 151**, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Business and Labor Interim Committee), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 152**, introduced by Mahlum (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Highways and Transportation.
- **SB 153**, introduced by O'Neil (by request of the Department of Transportation), referred to Highways and Transportation.
- SB 154, introduced by Cocchiarella, referred to Local Government.
- **SB 155**, introduced by Halligan (by request of the Local Government Funding and Structure Committee), referred to Taxation.
- SB 156, introduced by Cocchiarella, referred to Business and Labor.
- SB 157, introduced by Cocchiarella, referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 158**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the Law, Justice, and Indian Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 159**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Natural Resources.
- **SB 160**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.

- **SB 161**, introduced by Hargrove (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 162**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the Local Government Funding and Structure Committee), referred to Taxation.
- **SB 163**, introduced by Grosfield (by request of the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks), referred to Fish and Game.
- **SB 164**, introduced by McNutt (by request of the Department of Labor and Industry), referred to Business and Labor.
- **SB 165**, introduced by Cole, Beck, McNutt (by request of the Department of Agriculture), referred to Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.
- **SB 166**, introduced by Stonington (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 167**, introduced by Stonington (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 168**, introduced by Stonington (by request of the Department of Environmental Quality), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 169**, introduced by Franklin (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 170**, introduced by Halligan (by request of the Law, Justice, and Indian Affairs Interim Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 172**, introduced by R. Johnson (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Finance.
- **SB 174**, introduced by Glaser (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.
- **SB 175**, introduced by Glaser (by request of the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee), referred to Local Government.
- SB 177, introduced by Wells, referred to Judiciary.
- **SB 178**, introduced by Tash (by request of the Department of Public Health and Human Services), referred to Public Health, Welfare and Safety.
- **SB 179**, introduced by Zook (by request of the Office of Budget and Program Planning), referred to Finance.
- SB 180, introduced by Beck (by request of the Legislative Council), referred to Legislative Administration.

The following Senate joint resolutions were introduced, read first time, and referred to committees:

- SJR 1, introduced by F. Thomas (by request of the Joint Rules Committee), referred to Rules.
- SJR 2, introduced by Waterman (by request of the Legislative Finance Committee), referred to Judiciary.
- **SJR 3**, introduced by McCarthy, P. Clark, Crismore, Gillan, Tester, C. Younkin (by request of the Environmental Quality Council), referred to Natural Resources.

The following Senate resolution was introduced, read first time, and referred to committee:

**SR 1**, introduced by F. Thomas (by request of the Senate Rules Standing Committee), referred to Rules.

### SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

Senator Thomas introduced new Republican members of the Senate; Senator Ed Butcher, Senator John Cobb, Senator Royal Johnson, Senator Sam Kitzenberg, Senator Jerry O'Neil, Senator Corey Stapleton, Senator Bill Tash and Senator Tom Zook.

Senator Doherty introduced new Democratic members of the Senate; Senator Jim Elliott, Senator Dan

Harrington, Senator Gerald Pease, Senator Don Ryan, Senator Emily Stonington and Senator Ken Toole.

At the request of President Beck, Secretary of the Senate Skelton introduced the staff members of the Senate and also the Senate pages for the week.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Committee meetings were announced by committee chairmen.

Majority Leader Thomas moved that the Senate adjourn until 1:30 p.m., Thursday, January 4, 2001. Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

ROSANA SKELTON Secretary of Senate TOM BECK President of the Senate